GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:811
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2000
CRITERIA FOR ALLOTMENT OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIP
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed for allotment of LPG distribution agencies and the rules by which these agencies are governed;

(b) the number of LPG agencies functioning at present, State-wise and company-wise;

(c) the number of such agencies in hilly areas, specially in Shekhpura and Ranchi(Bihar);

(d) the number of applications received for each State for allotment of LPG agencies;

(e) the number of applications out of them approved and the number of applications pending, State-wise; and

(f) the number of new agencies proposed to be allotted in hilly regions during the current year, State-wise and category-wise and location-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): As per the existing policy, the following criteria are adopted for setting up economically viable LPG distributorships in different parts of the country:

(i) All urban locations with a population of 10,000 and above by including potential of adjoining villages falling within the radius of 15 Kms.

(ii) Urban locations having population of 5,000 and above taking into account the potential of adjoining villages falling within 15 Kms radius.

(iii) Cluster of villages within 15 Kms radius of nucleus villages having a population of 10,000 and above.

(iv) Villages within 15 Kms radius around towns having population of 1 lakh and above.

The locations included in the Marketing Plans are advertised by the Oil Companies, and the selection of distributors is made by the Dealer Selection Boards as per prescribed procedure.It generally takes 6-12 months for commissioning the distributorships after the date of interview.

(b)&(c): The State-wise and company-wise number of LPG distributorships which were in operation in the country including hilly areas as on 1.4.2000 is given in Annexure-I. At present 1 LPG distributorship in district Shekhpura and 24 LPG distributorships indistrict Ranchi are in operation.

(d)to(f): The State-wise number of LPG distributorships pending for allotment is given in Annexure-II. More LPG distributorships will be set up on the basis of economic feasibility surveys.

Annexure-II

Annexure-II referred to in reply to parts (d) to (f)of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 811to be answered on the 23rd November, 2000 regarding criteria for allotment of LPG distributorship.

STATEWISE NUMBER OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS PENDING FOR ALLOTMENT

SR.No. STATE/UT NUMBER OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS

1. Andhra Pradesh 197

2. Arunachal Pradesh 7

3. Assam 59

4. Bihar 190

5. Delhi 15
6. Goa 28

7 Gujarat 163

8. Haryana 78

9. Himachal Pradesh 23
10. Jammu & Kashmir 16
11. Karnataka 106
12. Kerala 121
13. Madhya Pradesh 333
14. Maharashtra 305
15. Manipur 11
16. Meghalaya 7
17. Mizoram 6
18. Nagaland 6
19. Orissa 53
20. Punjab 98
21. Rajasthan 151
22. Sikkim 0
23. Tamil Nadu 193
24. Tripura 12
25. Uttar Pradesh 568
26. West Bengal 113
27. Andaman & Nicobar Islands 6
28. Chandigarh 5
29. Dadra & Nagar Haveli 0
30. Daman & Diu 0
31. Lakshadweep 0
32. Pondicherry 3

Total 2873

Annexure-III

Annexure-III referred to in the Statementin reply to part (f) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 811to be answered on the 23rd November, 2000 regarding criteria for allotment of LPG distributorship.

STATEWISE NUMBER OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS INCLUDED IN THE MARKETING PLAN 1996-98

SR.No. STATE/UT NUMBER OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS

1. Andhra Pradesh 124

2. Arunachal Pradesh 10

3. Assam 69

4. Bihar 105

5. Goa 12
6. Gujarat 125

7 Haryana 45

8. Himachal Pradesh 26

9. Jammu & Kashmir 2
10. Karnataka 112
11. Kerala 105
12. Madhya Pradesh 287
13. Maharashtra 124
14. Manipur 15
15. Meghalaya 8
16. Mizoram 6
17. Nagaland 7
18. Orissa 41
19. Punjab 69
20. Rajasthan 115
21. Sikkim 0
22. Tamil Nadu 155
23. Tripura 13
24. Uttar Pradesh 440
25. West Bengal 57
26. Andaman & Nicobar Islands 6
27. Chandigarh 0
28. Dadra & Nagar Haveli 0
29 Delhi 0
30. Daman & Diu 0
31. Lakshadweep 0
32. Pondicherry 0

Total 207